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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent Office the following references, which were found during the prosecution of a corresponding European patent application:

US Patent No. 6,295,268  
US Publication No. 2004/0057349

Form PTO-A820 is attached.

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that each item contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart international application not more than three months prior to filing this statement.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

Very truly yours,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. W. Price', is written over a horizontal line.

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